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Development to bring 30 rental units to Minden

by **CHAD INGRAM**
Times Staff

A \$6.8 million development the Kawartha Lakes Haliburton Housing Corporation plans to build at the intersection of Highway 35 and County Road 21 will bring 30 additional affordable rental units to Minden.

During a Sept. 24 meeting, Minden Hills councillors heard a delegation from housing corporation CEO Hope Lee and Tim Welch of Tim Welch and Associates about the development, which is planned to include 15 duplexes, each duplex containing two 800-square-foot accessible townhouses. Each unit will have parking out front.

"This is a particularly exciting project for KLH Housing, as it will become our first public-private partnership," Lee told council. "Both the Kawartha Lakes Housing and Mr. Switzer of F.W. Gwillim hope this project becomes a model for others."

The parcel of land located to the west of Highway 35 at its intersection with County Road 21 is owned by Bill Switzer of real estate firm F.W. Gwillim. As Lee explained to council, Switzer is a longtime seasonal resident of the area. Switzer and the housing corporation entered into a letter of understanding in 2019.

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Uplifting activities

Minden resident Aimee Bain lifts up her son Nash, 4, during outdoor programming organized by EarlyON Child and Family Centre at Minden's Rotary Park. See more on page 10. /DARREN LUM Staff

Hydro bills for many cottagers to increase

by **CHAD INGRAM**
Times Staff

Many cottager owners will see their electricity bills increase substantially sometime next year.

On Sept. 17, the Ontario Energy Board, the province's energy regulator, upheld a 2015 directive that Hydro One eliminate the seasonal rate classification from its billing system, placing seasonal properties under existing density-based classifications, based on their physical location.

The crux of the OEB's justification for the change is that under the seasonal property classification, seasonal property owners, depending on the location of their properties, do not necessarily pay their fair share in terms of infrastructure and delivery costs.

Seasonal properties will be reclassified as either medium-density (R1) or low-density (R2), and bills for properties that are re-classified as R2 are the ones that will see an increase, of close to \$1,000 per year in some cases, according to Hydro One. Of the approximately 154,000 seasonal properties in Ontario, some 84,000 will be reclassified as R2, and some 70,000 as R1. It's possible that properties in the R1 category will see only small increases, effectively no change, or even small decreases in the size of their bills,

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This rendering shows what a townhouse development the Kawartha Lakes Haliburton Housing Corporation intends to construct at the intersection of Highway 35 and County Road 21 might look like. Fifteen duplexes will offer 30 units.



Housing development to be built beside Rotary Park

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“That letter of understanding outlines the roles that each of us will play as the property owned by F.W. Gwillim is developed,” Lee said.

“While the project will receive from both the housing corporation and Mr. Switzer, it’s important to highlight the significant contribution of Mr. Switzer toward this project,” Lee said. “Without his support, including the land, this project would not be possible or considered. A longtime seasonal resident of the county, Mr. Switzer has owned this parcel of land for many years. This project is not only his dream for the land, but his way to give back to this community. Mr. Switzer will be involved in the development of the project, however once developed, the project will transfer to Kawartha Lakes Haliburton Housing Corporation, and the housing corporation will own and operate the development.”

The housing corporation will be seeking funding from a number of sources, and is looking to Minden Hills township for official plan and zoning amendments required for the project to proceed. The site is currently zoned highway commercial, and it needs to be rezoned to medium-density residential.

The housing corporation was also looking to the township to donate a road allowance at the site, and the waiver of fees including application fees and charges, securities required as part of site plan, as well as building permit fees.

“This is a project that actually the housing task force has

been involved with right from the beginning, in 2018,” said Councillor Bob Carter, who is a member of the task force, “and we’re really excited to see it come to fruition. I have personally spoke to some of the neighbours of this project and a number of other groups within the municipality who, in normal times, would be in the audience and be willing to speak out in favour of this project. So, for the most part, right across the whole township, people are excited about this project.”

Councillor Pam Sayne, also a member of the housing task force, noted the development does not include much green space, but that it will be located directly beside Rotary Park, and said she’d like to see a lit pathway connecting the development to the park included in the plan.

Mayor Brent Devolin said that council was prepared to pass a resolution at that meeting addressing the corporation’s requests to send a message to the county and the City of Kawartha Lakes that the township is fully on board with the project.

“As Councillor Carter has said, and Councillor Sayne, there’s been a lot of work done by these two members of council and others, like yourself [Lee], that it kind of just, almost after two years, kind of pops above the waterline, but just to send a clear signal to everybody of our huge support for this,” Devolin said. “And certainly, the public-private [aspect], you know, there’s market failure with respect to residential housing, both in Haliburton County and within the city, and this is potentially an answer to some of the chal-

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— COUNCILLOR BOB CARTER

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lenges that we have.”

Council passed a resolution instructing staff to draw up documentation for the donation of the road allowance, to prepare documentation for official plan and zoning amendments, and waiving all the requested fees.

If all goes according to the housing corporation’s timelines, construction on the project would get underway in April of 2021 and be ready for occupancy in May of 2022.

Water Ambassadors Canada

is hosting the first annual, socially-distanced Fall Water Walk on Oct. 4th in Glebe Park, Haliburton.

Participants can start their walk between 1:00 - 2:00 and meander through the Sculpture Forest for either the 2km or 6km walkathon.

Though this is a national virtual event, our Haliburton goal is to raise \$10,000 to help with clean water projects in the developing world, including helping with the urgent need for handwashing stations to fight the spread of COVID-19.



For donations or registration visit: waterambassadorscanada.org/walkathon or contact Ursula Devolin at 705-455-2037.

County residents create long-term care coalition

Following the COVID-19 outbreak at a nursing home in the City of Kawartha Lakes and the roof leak and subsequent months-long evacuation of Highland Wood in Haliburton, a group of concerned citizens has come together to advocate for change in the sector.

The Haliburton-CKL Long-Term Care Coalition is seeking action to improve living standards for residents of long-term care homes and improving working conditions for staff, with a resident-centred approach. They are also advocating that new nursing homes be public, not private, facilities.

“Every publicly funded dollar and every dollar paid by the residents of long-term care should go to their care, not to profit corporate entities and their shareholders,” long-term care advocate Brigitte Gebauer said in a media release from the coalition. Her mother lives in long-term care in Haliburton and has been a resident of both for-profit and not-for-profit nursing homes.

She is advocating for better food, more stimulating environments, more direct care and updated facilities. “That is what human beings nearing the end of their lives deserve,” she said.

A launch event for the coalition will be held in the coming weeks and the group is currently looking at how to move forward with their goals, coordinating with other groups and organized labour.

Those who would like to join the group can contact Bonnie

Roe at 705-286-2414 or email hckllongtermcarecoalition@gmail.com. Join the coalition’s Facebook group by searching Haliburton-CKL Long-Term Care Coalition.

Staff

The Haliburton-CKL Long-Term Care Coalition is focused on action and determined to work to:

- include long-term care under the Canada Health Act to ensure public funding and apply national standards;
- implement the recommendations of the Registered Nursing Association of Ontario, including increasing staffing to ensure at least four hours per day of direct care per resident; improving workloads, working conditions, and conditions for care; increasing infection prevention and control and nurse practitioner expertise in care; and enhancing specialized (e.g. geriatric) expertise in LTC leadership;
- change the culture of long-term care to being more resident-centred and rights-based, including ensuring consistent implementation and safe expansion of the government of Ontario’s long-term care essential care giver (visitor) guidelines; and
- cease using private sector, for-profit companies for new nursing homes in Ontario, and consider using other models of care for our older adults such as the “butterfly” model.

From a media release provided by the Haliburton-CKL Long-Term Care Coalition

Energy board decision disappoints Hydro One

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depending upon location.

Hydro One had appealed the directive from the OEB and last year submitted an alternate proposal that would have seen bills for R2 properties increase by about \$65 a year. However, that proposal was rejected by the OEB.

"We are disappointed with the decision by the Ontario Energy Board to eliminate the seasonal rate class for our customers," said Imran Merali, vice-president of customer service at Hydro One. "We advocated for a

different solution that would have protected our seasonal customers and reduced the rate impact. We want our customers to rest assured that their rate class won't immediately change. The next step is to submit an updated report on implementing the elimination of the seasonal class to the Ontario Energy Board by October 15, 2020. We will continue to advocate for our customers throughout this process."

It could be another year or so before the changes actually come into effect.

The elimination of the seasonal rate classification was advocated against by a number

of organizations, including the Federation of Ontario Cottagers' Association.

FOCA executive director Terry Rees told the *Times* the association was disappointed in the outcome, and that the decision would unfairly impact the pocketbooks of many seasonal property owners.

"It's going to bring a fair amount of upset, in budgets," Rees said, adding the association had supported the solution being proposed by Hydro One.

Rees pointed out that seasonal properties were already scheduled to be transitioned to all-fixed rates by 2024, meaning there would

have been a minimum rate across all seasonal properties regardless of electricity usage.

"We'll be paying a fixed share no matter how much we use," he said. "That's already being phased in."

Hydro One offers a Rural or Remote Electricity Rate Protection program to provide financial assistance to customers in areas where the cost of providing electricity greatly exceeds the cost of providing it in more densely population areas. However, Rees noted that seasonal residents are not eligible for this program.

First phase of climate change plan focuses on municipal emissions

by CHAD INGRAM
Times Staff

Haliburton County councillors approved the corporate climate change mitigation plan for the county during its online Sept. 23 meeting.

The county hired climate change co-ordinator Korey McKay last fall, and she has been working on the plan since then. That process began by taking an inventory of the greenhouse gas emissions produced by the county and its lower-tier municipalities. The first phase of the project is the creation of a corporate climate change mitigation plan for the county and each of the four lower tiers, corporate greenhouse gas emissions being those that are produced by the municipal governments themselves.

The goal is to reduce corporately produced greenhouse gas emissions across the county by 30 per cent from 2018 levels by 2030, and the plan suggests a number of actions that can be taken to reduce emissions in buildings and vehicle fleets, and at the lower-tier level, landfills, which are the biggest source of corporately produced greenhouse gas for



Haliburton County council passed a corporate climate change mitigation plan for the county and its lower-tier municipalities during a Sept. 23 meeting. /CHAD INGRAM Staff

the county's four municipalities.

The plan includes chapters for each of the lower tiers, with each local council setting its own emission reduction targets for its facilities and operations.

"So each local council had the opportunity to provide any comments, which are included in my report, and will be considered during implementation and ultimately each council passed a resolution supporting the approval

of the plan," McKay said.

The first step toward implementation will be the striking of a working group that is to include municipal staffers from throughout the county, ones with knowledge of the affected areas, such as waste disposal and vehicle fleets.

As county planner Charley White told councillors, "The working group would bring forward any recommendation's implementation, so those items included in your specific chapters of the plan, forward to their respective council."

"The working group . . . is also an opportunity for collaboration across the five municipalities, so if there was a program moving forward, maybe there's a way that all five would do it together, maybe there would be some benefit with regard to costs or RFP [request for proposals] process," White said. "So, we see that as a benefit to all municipalities in implementing their climate change program."

In the future, McKay will also be creating a community climate change mitigation plan that will focus on the public and the community at large, and the working group for that plan will include members of the public.

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The schedule of upcoming meetings are:
October 8 – Committee of the Whole Meeting
October 24 – Council Meeting

Please note Council Meetings are reduced to one (1) meeting a month in December.

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Haliburton Highlands Health Services waiting on ministry funds

by JENN WATT
Editor

The following are brief reports of items discussed at the Sept. 24 meeting of the Haliburton Highlands Health Services board held via Zoom online conferencing service.

Responding to the coronavirus pandemic has added considerable expense to the HHHS corporation, but ministry funding hasn't kept pace, leading to a \$230,000 deficit as of May 31, 2020.

David O'Brien, chair of the finance committee, told board members that expenses have increased in several facets of HHHS operations.

"This has required huge financial investments which have caused significant financial pressure, not just on our regular day-to-day operations, but also on our cash flows related to the additional incremental expense, which includes the one-time pandemic pay for eligible staff," he said.

"Minimal ministry funds have flowed to date and I want to underline that. Minimal ministry funds have flowed to date. However, we are being assured that these will be addressed in the near future."

Of the \$230,000 deficit, O'Brien said \$198,000 was "due to lost revenues due to service closures." At the same time, staffing costs have gone up with recruitment and retention pressures leading to more overtime, sick time and benefits.

"We've had to increase our staff resources by almost 20 per cent in the last five months for new positions such as screeners, enhanced cleaning, and increased bed capacity," O'Brien said.

HHHS president and CEO Carolyn Plummer said cash flow issues are being experienced by health-care institutions across Ontario and advocacy work was underway.

"We have been working, as Dave mentioned, in partnership with Ontario Hospital Association, our regional hospital partners and others to advocate for speedy transfer of funds to help address some of those cash flow issues and to reimburse for those expenses," she said. "The Ontario Hospital Association has developed a position paper outlining the impact of the fiscal challenges on hospitals and the COVID response."

The position paper, which was circulated as part of Plummer's report to the board, called attention to a \$500 million net deficit for Ontario's hospital sector for the months of April and May 2020, which includes a revenue loss of \$320 million.

Recognizing pandemic's impact on staff

In his report to the board, chief of staff Dr. Steve Ferracuti said working during a pandemic has been stressful for HHHS staff.

The team has performed well, he said, with good practices in place. However, he informed the board that this comes



Dr. Steve Ferracuti, chief of staff for Haliburton Highlands Health Services, told the board at their meeting on Sept. 24 that staff have been working very hard during the coronavirus pandemic and are feeling some "readiness fatigue" from the past several months. /Screenshot

with "readiness fatigue."

"Your staff are working extremely hard," he said. "They're donning, they're doffing, they're donning, they're doffing [their protective gear], and it's exhausting. And they are putting in more hours than they would like. And they're doing a great job, so if you ... have a chance to pat someone on the back, it would be highly appreciated."

Plummer also praised staff during her report to the board.

"They've stepped up from day one and have continued to step up and like I said, I cannot say enough times how grateful I am for their contribution," she said. "And the contribution of our physician team as well, who stepped up and completely changed the way that they operate in order to make sure that we had appropriate medical coverage and leadership throughout this pandemic."

Ontario Health Team process continues

The proposed Haliburton Highlands Ontario Health Team has yet to move to the full application stage of the provincial Ministry of Health's process. The Haliburton team, which is a proposed partnership of several health-care providers, submitted its report to the ministry in January.

"In July 2020 the Ministry of Health identified the next group of OHTs to proceed with completing a full application; HHOHT was not among that group," Plummer's written report to the board reads. The group has met with the ministry since about next steps.

Modifying spaces

HHHS has been working on making space for additional patients and finding new solutions to allow for physical distancing while people wait at the emergency department, Plummer said.

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Expanding waiting room space as cold weather approaches

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“Over the summer months as our volume started to increase, some folks were able to wait outside to help maintain social distancing, but with the cooler weather coming, that’s not going to be possible and isn’t necessarily the safest option either, so we were doing some work to expand seating,” she said.

Half of the Cash for Care tickets sold

Lisa Tompkins, executive director of the HHHS Foundation, told the board that more than \$800,000 was transferred to the corporation for equipment and initiatives. Cardiac telemetry, cardiographs, and updated X-ray equipment were highlighted for the last year.

Though some events had to be cancelled due to COVID-19 precautions, Tompkins said donations are still coming in, with the recent radiothon on Moose FM bringing in \$42,600.

Cash for Care lottery launched in August and half the tickets have already been sold. Cash for Care includes several draws, start-

ing with two early bird draws for \$500 (in October) and \$1,000 (in January), followed by three draws on Feb. 14, 2021 for \$1,500, \$2,000, and \$20,000. Go to hhhs.ca/foundation/cash-for-care-lottery for details or call 705-457-1580.

Hospital auxiliary considers

holiday pop-up shop

Adapting to restrictions posed by COVID-19, the Haliburton Hospital Auxiliary is mulling over the idea of offering a pop-up shop before the holiday season. Jacqui Clarkson, representing the auxiliary, told the board that the charity hasn’t been able to run its gift shop due to the pandemic, but would like to offer something for shoppers.

“We of course can’t have the gift shop open in the hospital, but we’re looking to see if we can find a facility that perhaps we could have a pop-up shop, just before the holidays, and perhaps be able to raise some of our funds that way. So we are working on things,” she said.

The auxiliary purchased a wheelchair steamer for the hospital this year.

Updated: Sept. 28, 2020 – 11:50 am

This is the cumulative data on confirmed COVID-19 cases in the HKPR District Health Unit area.

	Haliburton	City of Kawartha Lakes	Northumberland	HKPRDHU
Confirmed Cases	16	181	43	240
Current Probable Cases+	0	0	0	0
Current High Risk Contacts+	5	6	4	15
Hospitalizations (Total to Date)	1	11	3	15
Resolved**	15	159	39	213
Not Resolved	0	1	6	7
Deaths	0	32	1	33
Current Outbreaks	0	0	0	0

One confirmed case of COVID-19 in Haliburton County, the first since Aug. 10, has been reported by the Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit as of Monday, Sept. 28. Previously, 15 cases have been confirmed in the county, with those cases having been resolved. Visit hkpr.on.ca to see data updated Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

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National child care

DURING LAST week's Throne Speech, the Trudeau government laid out its priorities for a new session of Parliament.

Obviously, addressing the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic formed much of that speech, and continued aid, both for businesses and individuals, was likely welcome news to many.

Another Throne Speech promise was a national child care system, which would be great, were it actually to happen.

The concept of a national child care system in Canada has been talked about by governments for decades, and been promised by previous governments in previous Throne Speeches, but has never come to fruition. The concept of national child care is not new or radical. A number of European countries have longstanding national child care systems, those systems in some cases a melding of child care and early childhood education. There is a philosophical understanding that affordable, accessible and quality child care is important for society and the economy to thrive, an understanding we seem to struggle with in this country, or least seem incapable of overcoming perceived barriers to achieve.

As anyone with kids, and probably most people in general know, child care is expensive. It is generally less expensive in Haliburton County than it is in say Toronto, but it is still a huge expense, especially in a community where wages, for the most part, are often low. Depending on the number of children a two-income family in the county has in

child care, it's possible for a good chunk of one parent's pay cheque to be gobbled up by child care costs.

Then, think about the single parent.

An oft-heard refrain in Haliburton County is, "There are plenty of jobs for anyone who's willing to work," or something thereabouts. And that's true. However, those jobs are often low-paying or minimum wage service industry jobs. So, now take the example of a single mother with two preschool-aged kids who works

a minimum wage or nearly minimum wage job. Take child care costs, rent, food and vehicle expenses, and it's probably impossible for that mother to make a go of it. It probably makes more sense economically to accept some form of government aid.

**CHAD INGRAM**
Reporter

High child care costs in a low-wage economy are a barrier to employment, and a national child care system would allow more people to enter the workforce.

The COVID-19 pandemic has highlighted the importance of quality child care, especially in circumstances where grandparents or other family members who may have once babysat children are no longer able to do so. It means that for more parents than usual, sending their children to a child care facility may be the only way they are able to work.

Obviously unfulfilled promises by politicians are not uncommon, including by our current prime minister. Remember when the 2015 election was going to be the last to use the first-past-the-post system?

Hopefully the promise of national child care achieves better results.

Kwarky



"Tell me when it hurts. I'm listening."

The straight poop

IF YOU WANT to evaluate how experienced an outdoorsperson is, just lead them to a pile of animal scat. I can think of no better test.

Scat, after all, is the one animal sign that no outdoorsperson can resist speculating on. Whole books have been written about it.

In fact, most outdoorsy types pride themselves in being experts on the subject. Still, the level of expertise is based on experience.

An inexperienced outdoorsperson will look at a pile of animal scat and know enough to say "Careful not to step in it." Or, if they are really inexperienced, when you point it out and ask, "What do you make of this?" they will look at you and reply, "You should probably see a doctor – and soon."

An experienced outdoorsperson, on the other hand, will smile like a Cheshire cat upon the discovery because they look upon a pile of animal scat as an opportunity to showcase their vast storehouse of knowledge.

This will begin with them dramatically getting down on one knee and studying the scat in question as if it were an important clue at the scene of a murder. Sometimes, they will poke at it with a stick so they can provide a more professional assessment.

Then, after a long, thoughtful pause, they will open with something like, "Well, it appears as if this pile of scat was dropped 34 hours and 21 minutes ago by a buck deer that will be four years old on May 12th. Judging from the pile's trajectory, weight and impact profile, he is about 168 pounds and has spindly antlers with seven points on the left side and six on the right. He walks with an almost imperceptible limp due to an

injury received jumping over a blown down tree – most likely a yellow birch – last summer after a heavy rainfall..."

Before you can respond, they will also assess the scat's degree of freshness, what the buck had been eating, how many siblings it has, who its half-brothers are, the overall health of its digestive system, which direction it was headed, its state of mind before and after the defecation, where it will bed this winter, what direction the wind was blowing at the time, the relative humidity and moon phase during the event and whether or not the barometric pressure was rising or dropping at the time.

By the time the evaluation is over, you will have received a fairly detailed life history of the animal, along with a psychological profile that will help you better understand the species as a whole.

But lest you think the outdoorsperson in question is full of themselves or something

else, they will end with a humble statement like, "Of course, I might be a little off on its blood pressure and heart rate. After all, I didn't go to medical school..."

At that point, it's best not to reveal that you saw a young fawn actually create the pile in question. Because if you do, they will label you a know-it-all.

The lesson here is, unless you've got all day, you should never point out any sort of animal sign to an experienced outdoorsperson. And, if they see some first, the only prudent course of action is to tell them you saw the animal that did it and know all about it.

After that, don't bother speculating. The last thing you want is for another outdoorsperson to figure out you don't know crap.

**STEVE GALEA**
Beyond 35

IN OTHER WORDS

Columns and Letters to the Editor

Making earth great again

THE EGG SHELLS were the final insult.

I awoke early today and rushed to the bedroom window, anxious to look out and spot any signs of fresh activity in the nightly war with the masked marauders.

I stared down at the best built, most secure compost bin ever put together by a human being. Even Donald Trump would have to chokingly admit this was a rot bin much better and greater than anything he could build.

I named the bin MEGA because it truly was an example of Making Earth Great Again.



JIM POLING SR.

From Shaman's Rock

I built it in an effort to do my part in recycling all the stuff that is mucking up the environment. Cans, bottles and plastics into a bag for the recycling depot, food leftovers into a secure compost bin and – Presto! – almost nothing left to bring to the garbage dump.

I knew that building a foolproof compost bin would be frustrating and require much patience. Raccoons and I always have had a troubled relationship and, as I built the bin, I knew they were watching and scheming – making plans for

breaking into it and scattering pieces of vegetables all over my back deck.

Raccoons, with their imploring eyes projecting melancholy from behind their little masks, can set heartstrings to playing a tender tune. Yes, they look cute and cuddly, but deep down they are evil.

I wanted my compost bin to be rock solid sturdy so I got four four-by-four posts, which I framed with two-by-fours into a box roughly two and a half feet square and four feet high (apologies to the metric world).

I sheeted it with privacy lattice to hold the compose in, keep the raccoons out and allow air to pass through it to aid composting. Then the testing began.

The first morning I looked down from my bedroom window to see a mess. Vegetable pieces scattered everywhere.

Raccoons had climbed up the bin and jumped in through the open top. So, I built a cover, which I hinged and secured with a latch.

The next morning, a similar mess. Raccoons had dug a hole and crawled under the frame. I lined the outside bottom edges with heavy rocks.

The next morning, I found the rocks removed and vegetables scattered about. I cut lengths of steel rebar and drove them into the ground wherever holes might be dug to get under the compost bin.

The next morning, I found the privacy lattice had been chewed and ripped apart to create an entry hole. I wrapped the entire bin with chicken wire.

The next morning, to my utter amazement, I found the bottom edge of the chicken wire had been pulled out and neatly rolled up over the chewed-out hole in the lattice. Proof positive that raccoons have the nimblest fingers of any animal, except of course chimpanzees.

I cut strips of sheet metal and covered the chicken wire edges so that nimble little fingers could not get at it to pull it away, or roll it up.

Nothing else happened for several days. I smiled and congratulated myself. It had taken a lot of thought and work but I had won the battle. My MEGA compost bin was foolproof.

This morning, I rolled out of bed, yawned, stumbled over to the window and looked down at my foolproof compost bin. Nothing was amiss. No scattered vegetable pieces. No obvious evidence of break and entry. I smiled and congratulated myself again.

I started to turn from the window when something caught my eye. Sunlight bouncing off something white.

I looked more closely. Sitting in the sunlight on the latched compost cover were several egg shells, which I had tossed into the bin the night before.

My eyes scoured the sides of the bin and the earth around it. No scattered vegetable pieces. No evidence of a break in. Yet there were the egg shells shining in the sunlight, taunting me to figure it out.

In the bushes behind the compost bin I heard strange sounds. Animal sounds. Giggling sounds.

I did what anyone who has fought hard and lost to a superior enemy would do.

I shook my head and went back to bed.

The arch of the foot

AS FAR AS anatomy goes, the arch in our foot is not a body part. The arch is created when the muscles and bones in the foot are working well. It's the same concept that happens when we arch an eyebrow. The work that goes into arching an eyebrow is similar to the work that must be done to arch the mid-section of the foot. The thing is, when we don't keep those muscles in shape an arch cannot be formed. Wearing shoes with arch support or orthotics weakens those muscles, resulting in low arches or in some cases flat feet. Both of these conditions can cause pain "upstream," especially in knees, hips and lower back.

In addition to improper footwear, sitting too much also has a negative effect on the arch of the foot. Try this little experiment:

- Stand up with your feet shoulder width apart.
- Bring your knees together. Watch what happens to the arch of your foot (if you have one). You should see it collapse.
- Come back to the starting position with your feet shoulder width apart and let your knees fall out to the sides a bit. You should see an arch form under both feet.

When we spend too much time in the sit-

ting position, hip joints seize up and mobility is reduced. Thanks to gravity, our knees tend to fall in instead of staying neutral and that leads to the flattening of the arches.

Old-school thinking was to add support to the arches and that would make everything better. It does work short term but it causes

other ailments in the long run. It would be like using crutches for a lifetime to prevent the deterioration of knee joints.

There are three things that can be done to get the arch back if you've lost it:

- Work on hip mobility by sitting on the floor (don't lean on anything) instead of sitting in a chair as much as you can.
- Spend time barefoot or in natural footwear (flat, flexible, thin sole and wide toe box)

- Work on foot mobility by massaging your feet, spreading your toes and using a lacrosse ball to break up stiffness.

So, kick off your shoes, wiggle your toes and get to know your feet. They are your foundation. There's no question about that.

Something to think about.

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LAURIE SWEIG

Practical Fitness

letters to the editor

Minden Hills doesn't need to fund Bob Lake boat launch

To the Editor,

Re: Restoring the public boat launch on Bob Lake

There is no consensus on the proposed public boat launch.

We are not Lake Rosseau.

To expect the hard working, decent folk of

Minden Hills to subsidize the self-indulgent booze cruises of the wealthy is ludicrous.

We do not need a taxpayer funded public boat launch.

Spend the money to resurface the roads.

Mike Mandel
Claude Brown Road

More letters on page 8

DVD of the Month - September



Saoirse Ronan as Jo, Emma Watson as Meg, Florence Pugh as Amy, Eliza Scanlen as Beth. Borrow the DVD from the Haliburton County Public Library.

The most recent of seven film adaptations of Louisa May Alcott's 1868 American coming-of-age period drama, *Little Women* chronicles the lives of the March sisters – Jo, Meg, Amy, and Beth – each determined to live life on her own terms in Concord, Massachusetts, during the 19th century.

Jo March lives in New York and makes her living as a writer, while her sister Amy studies painting in Paris. Amy has a chance encounter with Theodore, a childhood crush who proposed to Jo but was ultimately rejected. Their oldest sibling, Meg, is married to a schoolteacher, while shy sister Beth develops a devastating illness that brings the family closer together.

Written and directed by Greta Gerwig, and nominated for six Academy Awards including best picture, this iteration of Alcott's beloved story is both timeless and timely. The film stars

Strong season for farmers’ market despite COVID-19

by **DARREN LUM**
Times Staff

As the Haliburton County Farmers’ Market nears the end of their year, the vendors and organizers thank shoppers for the season’s success.

Farmers’ market president and Minden farmer Andrew Graham said it’s important the public knows how appreciative he and the other vendors are of the shoppers.

“We’re very thankful to the public for coming out and supporting us. That’s what it’s all about,” he said.

Graham said this year was a success for him and the other vendors because of the fact that it happened at all.

“I think they did good and they were happy to be there. I think a lot of people at the start of this whole thing were scared there wasn’t going to be a market, period. I think if you look into it there were spots in Toronto and elsewhere in the province where markets didn’t open, period,” he said.

The first farmers’ market this year, held in Minden on June 13, was delayed due to coronavirus prevention restrictions. As in other years, three markets a week were held, one day in Minden, one day in Haliburton and one day in Stanhope. COVID-19 protocols were observed including keeping attendance to assist in contact tracing, if it were necessary.

As a vendor for the past seven years, Graham said getting to sell his produce at the three locations provides access to buyers beyond the retailers he sells to and at his farm gate on Bobcaygeon Road in Minden. It was a strong year for him and most farmers in the area because the public was actively looking for locally grown food, he said.

The market will continue to the Thanksgiving weekend.

Haliburton potter Sharon Lynch was happy to have been allowed to sell her work at the market. Initially, artists were unable to be part of the market, with permission given after about a month following the opening of the market.

She said sales this season far exceeded her other years with the market, though she hasn’t yet tabulated the numbers.

Lynch said she wasn’t sure why the market sales were so strong.

“I think people are just happy [to be out]. What I’ve heard [from people] is it’s good to be able to get out. Maybe they’re treating themselves. Maybe they haven’t spent any money and they come here and are spending it. I don’t know,” she said.

When the market first opened this year, vendors weren’t allowed to sell cooked food, which is key for shoppers, many of whom are drawn to the market because of it, Graham said.



Vendors at the Haliburton County Farmers’ Market are thankful to shoppers who supported them this summer as they put measures in place to prevent the spread of the coronavirus. Measures such as masks, additional spacing between stalls and directional signage helped keep the venue safe. /DARREN LUM Staff

For some vendors it’s a large part of the season’s income.

Edilicious’s Jen Smith, who’s been selling her cheese appetizers, marinades and sauces at the market for close to six years, said getting to sell her crowd favourite falafels starting in July was important to her bottom line.

The Minden-based vendor appreciated the customers, but was confounded by the direction from provincial government and health units.

“The biggest problem is that public health is not all on the same page,” she said. “... No one wants to take responsibility. You can do this in one place [governed by one health unit] and you can’t do it in another place [under the jurisdiction of another health unit].”

It was challenging to be restricted from selling cooked food at the market when other food vendors in the same region could sell their food on the street.

“It’s a bit discouraging when you see other people selling at different places and there’s no indication you can. And when

that’s 40 per cent of your income, you know, I don’t get it,” she said.

For example, early in the summer, she could sell her falafels at a farmers’ market in Gravenhurst, but she couldn’t sell them in Haliburton County.

She was only able to sell her falafels locally once the region entered into phase three of the province’s reopening plan.

The busy period for the market has traditionally been July and August, as there are fewer people frequenting the market in September and October. Even without adding up the numbers, Smith has the feeling this year was particularly good, helping to make up for the delayed and then the staggered start related to selling her falafels at the market.

Smith can’t stress enough how thankful she and the other vendors are for the customers.

“I don’t think customers really realize how thankful we are, especially this year, that it’s been a good market year,” she said.



Susan Wright took this photo in the wetland behind her mother Lois Rigney’s house on Canning Lake.



Tammy Nash captured this beaver’s “Colgate smile” while it was out on the pond in Algonquin Highlands.

Irondale needs waste transfer station

To the Editor,

The following is an open letter to Minden Hills council, copied to Times readers.

Submission of the attached petition and roadside photo serves to represent the Irondale area permanent and seasonal residents’ demand that a waste transfer yard be installed at the existing landfill site property or purchase a property in the area to accomplish same.

The residents in the area have been serviced with a landfill site for approximately 50 years and this service should continue based on the tax dollars the municipality derives from this portion of the municipality. This is an unjust action on the part of the municipality due to lack of forethought and poor planning.

Having to transport household waste for a significant distance to another waste disposal site places undue inconvenience on the taxpayers in this area causing for a greater consumption of vehicular fuel which is not needed in these times of global warming.

Environmentally, this will be a detriment to this area as there is no doubt that some irresponsible taxpayers will be littering along the roadsides and onto people’s private properties due to the lack of waste disposal service provided by the municipality and their imprudent actions. This can presently be seen in the attached photo I took just today [Sept. 14] on the Irondale Road illustrating waste litter that was deposited by somebody last Sunday (presumably seasonal resident heading southward). For a whole week (every day for some reason) a municipal vehicle has passed by this garbage and not stopped to pick it up off of municipal property fronting private property. This is a disgrace and demonstrates disregard and remiss on the part of the municipality.

As per the attached petition (not completed due to COVID-19)

the taxpayers in this area demand that council install a waste disposal transfer yard at the existing landfill site or else purchase a suitable property in the area to accomplish same.

Dennis C. Simmons



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Above, Minden residents Angelica Ingram, left, stands with her daughter Evangeline, who waves goodbye.



Right, a group of children with guardians and parents run across the grass during the game Red Light, Green Light. /DARREN LUM Staff



Fall family fun

EarlyON Child and Family Centre outdoor programming facilitator Julie Bosker reads to children and their parents/guardians during a session on Tuesday morning at Minden Rotary Park. The outdoor children's programming, which is weather dependent, has two more sessions, one on Thursday, Oct. 1 at Head Lake Park in Haliburton and one on Thursday, Oct. 8 at the Rotary Park in Minden. See www.facebook.com/haliburtonvictoriabrock or www.oeyc.ca for more information and to check for added dates. Register by emailing admin@oeyc.ca.

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Director of education pleased with first weeks back

by JENN WATT
Editor

The following are brief reports of items discussed at the board of trustees meeting on Sept. 22 for Trillium Lakelands District School Board.

Wesley Hahn, director of education for TLDSB, told trustees that he was proud of how the staff and students had come together during the resumption of classes this month amid a pandemic. He praised their positivity, while acknowledging how difficult it was to resume learning when everything has changed so much from a typical school year.

“The positivity that you must have, and that doesn’t mean rose-coloured glasses, because there’s nothing really rosy about some of these situations we’re in right now. ... It’s hard work and it’s frustrating work. And I sent a message to staff saying it’s OK to be frustrated because sometimes there aren’t answers right away to some of these problems and we’re solving things that we haven’t had to deal with before, so it can get frustrating,” Hahn said.

The staggered start to classes was helpful for teachers and students, he said, allowing them to settle into new routines and reducing anxiety.

The virtual school, called Learn@Home, has been a challenge and Hahn thanked parents and students for their patience.

“We have five administrators who are working day and night” to make the new system work, he said, something experienced across Ontario, not only in TLDSB.

Those families without internet access, or whose access is limited, are struggling with Learn@Home. “Some areas don’t even have [internet] at all, so we are working with [paper] packages like we have done in the past,” he said, noting some families who have chosen remote learning may be struggling with a connection that can’t support all the students using it at once. The board has been sharing internet sticks with some families on a temporary basis to help with connection.

High demand for HVAC supplies

School board administrators are hoping for an extension on using provincial funding for HVAC upgrades, as the current deadline is quickly approaching and the supply of product is limited.

“They gave us an incredibly tight window that expires at the end of this month,” Tim Ellis, superintendent of business, explained at the board of trustees meeting on Sept. 22. “... they gave us under eight weeks to work through upgrading our HVAC.”

Further, Ellis said that there is high demand for the filters the board ordered.

“In terms of the filters ... that we are ordering, there’s a backlog on those across North America because they’ve mandated in the United States all shopping malls [in some areas] adopt this type of filter.”

COVID-19, labour disputes sideline special projects

Several projects to be provided through TLDSB’s program enhancement funding were delayed or partially completed in the last school year due to labour disruptions and COVID-19, with about \$91,500 spent of the \$279,000 allocated.

Of 138 applications trustees reviewed in 2019, 98 were approved, though many were not fully completed, trustees heard at the board meeting on Sept. 22.

“I think ... we know how important these projects are. We’ve had some discussion about the timing now and obviously we do have some money that’s left over from that current year,” Hahn said.

At a future meeting, Dave Golden, superintendent of learning, is to bring forward suggestions for how to use the money based on previously approved projects, Hahn said.

He reminded the board that the funding for the program enhancement fund came from surplus, so would not be avail-

able in future years.

Projects in Haliburton County that used program enhancement grants last year included an Artist in the School and Community project, which was partially completed; the Spaced Out student exhibit at the Rails End Gallery; the Journee Franco-FUN events led by high school students in the French program for French immersion students at J.D. Hodgson Elementary School, which was partially completed; musical theatre at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School; along with other events for a wider range of students and schools including a model United Nations conference that was cancelled and an interschool art exhibition, also cancelled.

Nutrition programs continue through ‘grab and go’ delivery

Asked by Haliburton County trustee Gary Brohman about what is being done in schools to ensure the food normally distributed through programs such as Food for Kids continues to make its way to students, Hahn said the board had chosen a “grab-and-go” delivery model.

This means food would be provided for students, but without the assistance of volunteers, who would normally greet the students and help prepare and distribute the food. As a precaution against the potential spread of COVID-19, the school board has restricted access to its buildings to staff and students only.

Hahn said a report could come back to trustees about how that program was being delivered and also suggested fundraising be done to supplement food delivery for those students who need more than the breakfast program.

“To be able as an educational community ... to raise some money and have funds set aside for principals and schools to offer to communities I think is really critical,” he said.

In a typical year in Haliburton County, about 1,700 students access the nutrition program delivered by Food for Kids.

TLDSB student reps launch anti-racism initiative

by JENN WATT
Editor

Student leaders within the Trillium Lakelands District School Board are looking for action on racism and discrimination against all members of the school community and have asked for anyone with stories about their experiences to share them.

Since Sept. 4, 22 stories have been shared, said student trustee Ryder Lytle, with contributions ranging from one sentence to a couple of paragraphs.

Ryder shared an update about the project with trustees at their meeting on Sept. 22.

“Over the last few weeks, [student trustee] Kaylee [Kelly] and I have been collecting stories and experiences from students and staff to better understand what is going on in our schools,” Ryder’s prepared statement for the board reads. “We plan to use these stories to create ways we can combat racism in TLDSB schools and other buildings to create a safe and welcoming environment for all TLDSB members.”

Kaylee and Ryder are each student trustees serving two-year terms on the board. They are each members of the G7 student senate, which includes a representative from each of the board’s high schools.

Ryder said that the G7 would be making a plan based on the stories they’ve gathered on how changes can be made at all levels of the board.

“Kaylee and I especially feel there is absolutely zero tolerance of racism, discrimination, or bias in any TLDSB schools or buildings,” Ryder’s statement reads. “It is something that needs to be talked about and not just shoved under the rug. Racism is a very real thing in every single one of our schools and buildings and it should not be at all. We know it is a real thing in our schools because Kaylee and I have experienced racism first-hand being visible minority students.”

The stories of racism experienced by members of the school community will also be brought to the board and committees, Ryder said.

They are still collecting stories and Ryder has included a link on his Instagram bio @ryderlytle connecting to the anon-

ymous Google form.

The form reads, in part: “Motion To Be Brought Forward: As students of TLDSB we have recognized that Trillium Lakelands DSB needs to make systemic changes, to ensure that all staff and students feel that they are in a safe learning

environment. This form is here for students and staff to fill out detailing any incidents where they have witnessed or experienced any type of racism, discrimination, or segregation on a Trillium Lakelands DSB premises.”



A love for the leaves

Tom and Marilyn Bagshaw take in the town of Minden from a bench at the Panorama Park scenic lookout. / Submitted photo

County increases IT staff amid pandemic

by CHAD INGRAM
Times Staff

The COVID-19 pandemic, and, in particular, online council and committee meetings, is putting Haliburton County's IT department into overdrive, and county council has agreed the county will hire an additional IT staff person to help alleviate that pressure.

The county IT department provides technical support to the upper tier of the county, as well as its four lower-tier municipalities. Starting late April, council meetings throughout the county began resuming, in a new, online format amid the COVID-19 crisis. Council meetings take place via online conferencing app Zoom, and are broadcast to the public via YouTube. Most of these meetings are facilitated by the county's IT department, creating a large increase in workload.

"IT has provided onsite support for the majority of these meetings as well as provided training to clerks and other staff involved in the scheduling and running of virtual meetings through Zoom," reads a report from IT director Mike March that councillors received during a Sept. 23 meeting. "Recently, the municipalities have been considering when they should begin conducting other advisory committee meetings. Assuming that these meetings, along with council and committee meetings, will have to have a virtual component

for the foreseeable future, the IT director is concerned with how this extra workload can be absorbed by the IT department and still continue to meet its core support obligations."

The IT department currently has three staff members. March's report indicated the IT department is currently spending 15 to 20 hours per week supporting council, committee and planning meetings, including travel, setup and teardown time.

"During these meetings, IT is typically onsite to offer support for running the livestream portion of the meeting, as well as offering technical support in the event of connection problems," March's report reads. "While onsite for support, it is difficult for staff to work on other support requests, as they cannot make phone calls and are cautious not to make any noise (i.e. typing) lest they disrupt the meeting. Tasks that require prolonged focus are difficult to perform, as staff have to pay attention to livestream feed, and the Zoom meeting (including visual cues from in-room participants) so they can ensure there are no problems. When onsite assisting with a Zoom meeting, it is estimated staff work at approximately 25 per cent capacity when working on Help Desk requests."

March's report included four options for council's consideration, ranging from approving additional overtime hours for IT staff – the report noted the availability of staff to put in overtime could not be guaranteed – to the hiring of a fourth IT department employee, in either a full-time or temporary full-time capacity.

"The IT department's workload has increased to the point that a fourth person could be utilized above and beyond what would be required for supporting virtual meetings," it reads. "An option for council consideration would be hiring an IT staff person for a two-year contract and reassess the need for longer employment term once the contract has completed."

Councillors were ultimately supportive of this option, and the county will hire a full-time technician on a two-year contract.

"I don't want to see a downstream migration of IT and technical support move from the county to municipalities," said Minden Hills Mayor Brent Devolin. "... I think there's some operator expertise that your staff has helped evolve a bit

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The IT department's workload has increased to the point that a fourth person could be utilized above and beyond what would be required for supporting virtual meetings.
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— MIKE MARCH

[with other municipal staff], but as we migrate back to having committee of council re-engaged, I think it will be critical for the county IT staff to have more personnel."

While councils have been reconvened for months, advisory committees have not been meeting, and there's been discussion around most council tables about how to approach the re-establishment of those meetings.

Algonquin Highlands Deputy Mayor and County Warden Liz Danielsen noted that meetings would continue to take place in an online fashion for the foreseeable future. "We know that we are going to be continuing like this for some period of time, we're also all talking about livestreaming [committee meetings] and everything that's associated with that."

Any meetings that take place in the evening will still entail overtime pay for IT staff since those meetings fall outside of work hours contained in their contracts, and Highlands East Mayor Dave Burton suggested the idea of talking to committee members to see if it might be possible to hold meetings during the workday in order to save some money.

"I agree that the needs are growing," said Algonquin Highlands Mayor Carol Moffatt, "and, similarly to Councillor Burton, I think there's a conversation that needs to be had about committees. You know, for IT staff, where they're going to meet, and when they're going to meet."

Moffatt noted that not only do many advisory committee meetings take place in the evening, but some take place in far-flung locations.

The cost for a full-time technician for two years, including wages, benefits, overtime allocations, as well as extra equipment and licensing, will be approximately \$175,000, according to March's report.



PUBLIC NOTICE

Applicant: Mowbray
Lot 22, Concession 13, Big Hawk Lake
Geographic Township of Stanhope

WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Algonquin Highlands has declared part of the original shore road allowance lying in front of Lot 22, Concession 13 and part of Lot 22, Concession 13, Big Hawk Lake, in the geographic Township of Stanhope, in the Township of Algonquin Highlands, County of Haliburton, to be surplus.

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Municipal Corporation of the Township of Algonquin Highlands proposes to enact a By-Law to stop-up, close and convey to the abutting property owner(s) those parts of the original shore road allowance lying in front of Lot 22, Concession 13 and part of Lot 22, Concession 13, Big Hawk Lake, described as all and singular those certain parcels or tracts of land and premises situate, lying and being in the Geographic Township of Stanhope, in the County of Haliburton and being composed of the following:

FIRSTLY: THAT part of the original shore road allowance in front of Lot 22, Concession 13, described as Parts 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 and part of Lot 22, Concession 13 on a Plan deposited in the Registry Office for the Registry Division of Haliburton County as Plan 19R-10387.

SECONDLY: THAT part of Lot 22, Concession 13 shown as road allowance on Crown Lands Survey attached to SA2462, described as Parts 10, 12 and 14 on a Plan deposited in the Registry Office for the Registry Division of Haliburton County as Plan 19R-10387.

The proposed By-Law will come before the said Council for consideration at its regular meeting at the Algonquin Highlands Municipal Office, 1123 North Shore Road, on the **15th day of October, 2020** and at that time, the Council will hear any person or by his/her counsel, solicitor or agent any person who claims that his/her land will be prejudicially affected and who applies to be heard. Any person who wishes to be heard by Council regarding this proposed closure must contact the Clerk to schedule a delegation with Council.

PLEASE NOTE: The office is currently closed to the public. Any person wishing to speak to this matter must contact the Planner to register and obtain further information.

Dated: September 30th, 2020

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Applicant: Warburton/Hawley
Lot 15, Concession 8, Halls Lake
Geographic Township of Stanhope

WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Algonquin Highlands has declared part of the original shore road allowance lying in front of Lot 15, Concession 8, Halls Lake, in the geographic Township of Stanhope, in the Township of Algonquin Highlands, County of Haliburton, to be surplus.

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Municipal Corporation of the Township of Algonquin Highlands proposes to enact a By-Law to stop-up, close and convey to the abutting property owner(s) that part of the original shore road allowance lying in front of Lot 15, Concession 8, Halls Lake, described as all and singular that certain parcel or tract of land and premises situate, lying and being in the Geographic Township of Stanhope, in the County of Haliburton and being composed of the following:

FIRSTLY: THAT part of the original shore road allowance in front of Lot 15, Concession 8, described as Part 1 on a Plan deposited in the Registry Office for the Registry Division of Haliburton County as Plan 19R-10393.

The proposed By-Law will come before the said Council for consideration at its regular meeting at the Algonquin Highlands Municipal Office, 1123 North Shore Road, on the **15th day of October, 2020** and at that time, the Council will hear any person or by his/her counsel, solicitor or agent any person who claims that his/her land will be prejudicially affected and who applies to be heard. Any person who wishes to be heard by Council regarding this proposed closure must contact the Clerk to schedule a delegation with Council.

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Dated: September 30th, 2020

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NOTICE: VIRTUAL PUBLIC MEETING FOR PROPOSED FEE CHANGE

Please take notice a Public Meeting will be held virtually via web conference on October 8, 2020 commencing at 9:00 A.M. in the Council Office located at 7 Milne Street, Minden.

The Public Meeting will be held to consider new fees and charges proposed in "Schedule A" Classes of Permits & Fees for the Building and By-law Department to establish a Mandatory Re-inspection Program.

Proposed fees for the Mandatory Septic Re-inspection Program:

- mandatory septic re-inspection program fee \$225.55 plus \$15.00 administration fee;
- mandatory septic re-inspection program fee with third party for inspection review \$146.90 plus \$15.00 administration fee.

Individuals attending the Public Meeting may join virtually by selecting the Zoom Webinar link below to observe or participate in the meeting as an Attendee:

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Passcode: 4869237011

During the meeting, select the "raise hand" function in order to be placed in the queue for questions and comments. The meeting moderator will unmute each attendee in sequence order for an opportunity to address Council.

Alternatively, an Attendee may choose to join by dialing the number below:

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For more information please contact Colin McKnight, Chief Building Official at cmcknight@mindenhill.ca or 705-286-1260 ext. 510.

Dated the 25th of September, 2020
Trisha McKibbin, CAO/Clerk
Township of Minden Hills
705-286-1260 ext. 505
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Loving the leaves

Madeline Duguay waited all summer for her chance to jump in a giant leaf pile, a magical moment that happened this past weekend at her home in Minden. / Submitted

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PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills proposes to consider by-laws to stop up, close, and convey those parcels of land more particularly described as follows:

1. **File No. PLSRA2019019:** Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Gull Lake, lying in front of 1280 Murdoch Road located within Lot 8, Concession 13, Geographic Township of Lutterworth
2. **File No. PLSRA2019060:** Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Kashagawigamog Lake, lying in front of 1086 Crofters Lane located within Lot 27, Concession 4, Geographic Township of Minden
3. **File No. PLSRA2019065:** Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Moore Lake, lying in front of 1272 Tundra Trail located within Lot 25, Concession 4, Geographic Township of Lutterworth
4. **File No. PLSRA2020005:** Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Davis Lake, lying in front of Vacant land having roll number 4616-051-000-19500 on Raccoon Lane located within Lot 9, Concession 2, Geographic Township of Lutterworth

The above noted plans of surveys are available for inspection in the Building and Planning Department located at 7 Milne Street, Minden, Ontario during regular office hours. Additional information may be obtained by contacting the undersigned at 705-286-1260 (x506) or by e-mail at iclendening@mindenhills.ca.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that the proposed By-Laws will come before the said Council for consideration at its regular meeting being held as an Electronic Meeting on **Thursday, October 8, 2020** at the hour of 9:00 AM At that time, Council will electronically hear any person or their counsel, solicitor, or agent, who claims that their land will be prejudicially affected and who applies in advance to be heard. If deemed advisable, the proposed By-laws will be passed at its regular meeting to be held on **Thursday, October 29, 2020**.

DATED AT THE Township of Minden Hills, this September 30, 2020
Ian Clendening, MPL., Planner

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COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT - NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING APPLICATION FOR MINOR VARIANCE THIS MEETING WILL BE HEARD AS AN ELECTRONIC HEARING BY WAY OF A TELECONFERENCE CALL

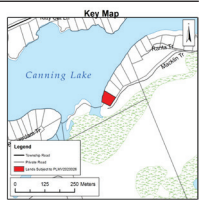
Take Notice that the Committee of Adjustment of the Township of Minden Hills will hold a Public Hearing on:

DATE: Tuesday, October 13, 2020
TIME: 10:30 AM
LOCATION: Due to the physical distancing requirements imposed as a result of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, this meeting will be held as an electronic hearing by way of a **teleconference call**. To participate:
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to consider minor variance applications **PLMV2020026**, **PLMV2020028**, **PLMV2020033**, **PLMV2020036**, and **PLMV2020046**. The purpose of the Public Hearing will be to consider the proposed Minor Variances to the Township of Minden Hills Zoning By-law pursuant to Section 45 of the Planning Act. The minor variance applications being considered are listed below:

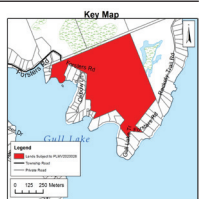
PLMV2020026 - Part of Lot 9, Concession 14, Geographic Township of Snowdon; municipally known as **1286 Macklin Trail**; and located on Canning Lake (see Key Map).

Purpose and Effect of the Application: To permit the construction of a new 23.3 m² (251sq.ft.) addition to the existing 8.9 m² (96sq.ft.) deck which is situated the required 19.5m. (64') from the High Water Mark and is proposed to project into this required setback. The variance sought would allow for the deck to encroach to a distance of 16.3m. (53'6") from the High Water Mark which is parallel to the existing covered porch.



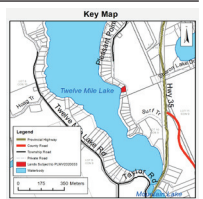
PLMV2020028 - Part of Lot 17 & 18, Concession 10, Geographic Township of Lutterworth; municipally known as **1204 Forsters Road**; and located on Gull Lake (see Key Map).

Purpose and Effect of the Application: To permit the construction of a new 53.9 m² (580sq.ft.) addition to the existing 80.8 m² (870sq.ft.), non-complying, dwelling which is situated 13.4m. (44') from the High Water Mark (HWM) which is to be relocated to a distance of 18.3m. (60') from the HWM. The variance sought would allow for a 67% increase in size whereas 25% is otherwise the maximum increase permitted for a building located within the required 30m. (98'5") setback required of the Recreational Commercial (C3) Zone.



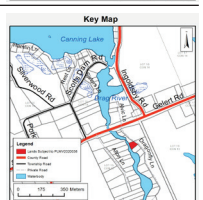
PLMV2020033 - Part of Lot 10, Concession 10, Geographic Township of Minden; municipally known as **1236 Pleasant Point Road**; and located on Twelve Mile Lake (see Key Map).

Purpose and Effect of the Application: To permit the further reduction in lot area for an existing undersized lot. Recently, provisional consent H-020/19 respecting this property was granted to permit a lot addition of 170 m² (1,830sq.ft.) to the abutting, more significantly, undersized lot. The variance sought would allow the severed property to measure 0.12 ha. (0.3 ac.) in area and is required as a condition of the consent approval.



PLMV2020036 - Part of Lot 15, Concession 13, Geographic Township of Snowdon; municipally known as **1036 Dragonfly Lane**; and located on the Drag River (see Key Map).

Purpose and Effect of the Application: To permit the construction of a new 16.7 m² (180sq.ft.) addition to the rear of the existing 31.2 m² (336sq.ft.), non-complying, dwelling which is situated 14m. (46') from the High Water Mark (HWM). The variance sought would allow for a 54% increase in size whereas no increase is otherwise permitted for a dwelling located within 15m. (49'3") of the HWM.



PLMV2020046 - Part of Lot 11, Concession 12, Geographic Township of Minden; municipally known as **1040 Spears Lane**; and located on Twelve Mile Lake (see Key Map).

Purpose and Effect of the Application: To permit the construction of a 2nd storey sleeping cabin addition to the existing garage which is situated 24.7m. (81') from the High Water Mark (HWM). The variance sought would allow for a 2nd storey accessory structure to be located within 40m. (131'3") of the HWM, and for an accessory building within such distance to measure 4.9m. (16') in height whereas 3.5m. (11'6") is otherwise the maximum.



ADDITIONAL INFORMATION regarding these applications are available online at www.mindenhills.ca/newsroom. Copies of the complete applications will be available for public inspection at the Township of Minden Hills Building and Planning Department by appointment only.

HAVE YOUR SAY: Input on the above noted applications is welcome and encouraged. You can provide input by speaking at the public meeting or by making a written submission to the Township. If you do not attend the public meeting, it may proceed in your absence and, except as otherwise provided in The Planning Act, you will not be entitled to any further notice in the proceedings.

WRITTEN SUBMISSIONS: To provide input in writing, or to request written notice of the decision, please contact the undersigned or e-mail iclendening@mindenhills.ca.

ANY PERSON OR AGENCY WHO IS OF THE OPINION THAT HOLDING THE HEARING AS AN ELECTRONIC HEARING IS LIKELY TO CAUSE THEM SIGNIFICANT PREJUDICE, may make a submission to the undersigned, and if the Committee is satisfied that holding the hearing as an electronic hearing is likely to cause the party significant prejudice then the hearing will be re-scheduled as an oral hearing.

Interested parties are encouraged to join 15 minutes ahead of the scheduled start time. For additional information on participating in an electronic hearing visit: www.tinyurl.com/yyctaqa0

If you are interested in participating in the hearing you are encouraged to contact the undersigned prior to the meeting date with any questions you may have and/or to provide any material for the Committee's consideration at the hearing.

ACCESSIBILITY: The Township of Minden Hills is committed to providing services as set out in the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005. **If you have accessibility needs and require alternative formats or other accommodations, please contact the undersigned.**

PRIVACY DISCLOSURE: As one of the purposes of the Planning Act is to provide for planning processes that are open and accessible, all written submissions, documents, correspondence, e-mails or other communications (including your name and address) form part of the public record and may be disclosed/made available by the Township as deemed appropriate, including anyone requesting such information. Please note that by submitting any of this information, you are providing the Township with your consent to use and disclose this information as part of the planning process.

For more information about this matter contact iclendening@mindenhills.ca.

Ian Clendening, MPL., ACST
Secretary-Treasurer, Committee of Adjustment
P.O. Box 359, 7 Milne Street, Minden ON., K0M 2K0



Former Red Hawks hockey player Alex Little of Minden works out in North Bay. The Grade 12 student is attending West Ferris Secondary School and living with a billet family in North Bay, as part of his pursuit to make the OHL's North Bay Battalion. Little was picked by the Battalion last year 41st overall in the under 18 draft last year. /Photo by Owen Wray.

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Answers on page 16

OHL prospect working towards joining Battalion

by **DARREN LUM**
Times Staff

“
You think about them back home, but you know that you'll be back there one day and it makes the moments when you get back home a lot more special.
— ALEX LITTLE
”

Like the rest of the world living during a pandemic, Alex Little is in a holding pattern when it comes to fulfilling his dream of hockey ascension.

The former Haliburton Highlands Secondary School student and Red Hawks hockey player is not just waiting, but working to make the Ontario Hockey League's North Bay Battalion team.

The 17-year-old from Minden was chosen in the 2020 under-18 OHL draft in the third round and drafted 41st overall by the Battalion.

Living in North Bay and attending West Ferris Secondary School, Little said the adjustment to life away from home has gone well, but the delay in starting the exhibition season and training camp has been challenging.

“It's been a bit of a challenge to keep in shape because I'm used to practising and then playing games, but now with the practices I have to keep the mindset of stay in shape and keep my skills on ice up to par because I have to be ready whenever this season will start or whenever the opportunity to go to camp will be,” he said.

It's been reported that the OHL announced on Sept. 17 training camps are scheduled to start Nov. 15 and exhibition play to begin close to a week after.

“Right now it's a date, but, really, it's up in the air for me,” he said.

Last season, the right-shot defenceman played for the North Bay Trappers, tallying 29 points (nine goals and 20 assists) in 38 games.

What has helped him with his preparation for the season is to see how the delay to the season can help him.

“I have the opportunity to make the team and just thinking right now this is a great opportunity to jump ahead of some people who aren't taking advantage of this extra time to be prepared. So, knowing that I have some time to work harder and maybe jump ahead of some of those guys pushes me because I do want to make that team pretty badly,” he said.

With COVID-19 protocols, there haven't been any team practices. It's been up to Little.

The Grade 12 student is in the gym five times a week, lifting weights, performing plyometric exercises once a week and a spin class once a week after each six-hour school day. He also has on-ice training, which includes end-to-end skating and skills work, followed by a scrimmage for an hour and a half Tuesdays and Thursdays after school at the Memorial Gardens in North Bay.

The longer off-season has enabled the 5'11" player to gain close to 15 pounds of muscle.

This wasn't just the result of weight training, but also from his diet including more whole and lean foods such as ground turkey meat and lean instead of regular ground beef to improve recovery from his workouts. He said part of the dramatic weight gain could be regaining what he lost after the hockey season and what was lost during the quarantine period.

Despite the gains, he also made efforts to adjust to his new body.

“I made sure when I was doing the weight lifting that I would still do the cardio stuff, and run and footwork [drills] so that I was

training the weight as well as myself to get my feet and body working together before I gained all the weight,” he said.

A huge part of this working out was to maintain flexibility, which was addressed by regular stretching, foam rolling, and three yoga sessions he does on his own every week using YouTube videos.

Yoga, he said, is key.

“It's definitely half the battle. That's probably part of the reason that I can still move well after gaining weight because I've stretched and worked the muscles so it's not just bulky and I'm not kind of stiff with my movements,” he said.

Rest and recovery is a major component to it all. He is in bed close to 10 a.m. each night so he can get at least eight hours of sleep.

Being away from home, he said, he misses friends and family most of all.

“You think about them back home, but you know that you'll be back there one day and it makes the moments when you get back home a lot more special.”

Little plans to be home for Thanksgiving and Christmas.

Much of the credit for his adjustment to his new life in North Bay, he said, belongs to his billet family, the Wrays, with parents Shanna and Scott.

“The family has been amazing. They support me with everything. They have two boys so they know what it's like to have another kid in the house,” he said. “To adjust, I just try to be myself because being myself they accept me for that and it makes it easy to fit in when you're trying to be yourself and not someone else.”

He moved in with them on Sept. 7 and started attending West Ferris Secondary School the next day.

With more than 1,200 students, the school has almost three times more students than HHSS. However, he hasn't noticed the size difference with COVID-19 rules keeping him with one group of students.

The Wray children have been great.

Little said the positive gains and the motivation to work out is traced back to the Wray sons, who are 14 and 17.

“It helps keep me motivated because there's somebody there to push me and say even on days I don't want to go to the gym they'll say, ‘Hey, let's go to the gym.’ It's nice to have when you don't have self-motivation. Just the extra people around you to keep pushing you,” he said.

His advice to other athletes waiting on seasons to start is to remember to enjoy the preparation.

“Just have fun, practising and working out and getting better. It will all pay off when the season starts and comes around,” he said. “That's really what I've been trying to do.”



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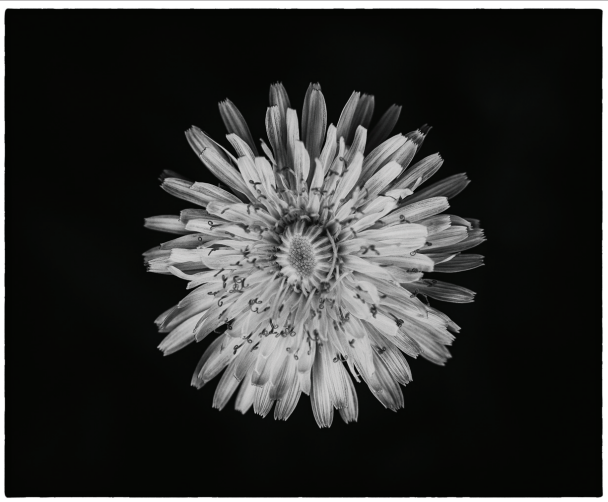
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Black and white photo contest winners

1st Advanced: "The Feather" by Kathy McKelvey-Brown

The Haliburton Highlands Camera Club continues to be active online and holds monthly meetings by Zoom. Visit their website at highlandscameraclub.ca to view all amazing competition images and follow them on Facebook.



1st Intermediate: "Dandelion" by Julie Jones



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Legion offers helping hand

Fred Hartlen and Linda Evans, members of the Minden Legion, surprised Archie Stouffer Elementary School with a donation of backpacks and school supplies as well as a \$1,000 donation from Branch 636 on Sept. 29. If your family has a need for some support with supplies or a backpack speak with your child's teacher or call the ASES office at 705-286-1921./Submitted photo

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Lineup of storytellers revealed for upcoming YouTube event

A journalist, a director, an instructor, and multiple authors will be presenting their travel videos for the upcoming Six-Minute Escape event organized by the Arts Council Haliburton Highlands and the Haliburton Reads and Writes Committee.

Presented via YouTube on Saturday, Oct. 3, the special on-line event will allow viewers to travel vicariously through the experiences of others during a time when international travel has been somewhat curtailed with the coronavirus pandemic.

Confirmed presenters include journalist Ted Barris, author Susanna Kearsley, author Tom Taylor, novelist Sue Reynolds, director Kate Campbell, instructor Tammy Rea, author Patti Collins and author Deborah Murphy.

Erin Kernohan-Berning, branch services librarian with the Haliburton County Public Library, and Kate Butler, director of the Haliburton Highlands Museum will co-host the event.

"This program will give us all a much-needed escape to new places," said Kernohan-Berning in a media release about

the event. "We'll get to see parts of the world through the eyes, and words, of these travellers."

Following the eight short videos, viewers will be invited to an online after party where they can ask questions of the presenters.

"We will not be able to mingle in the same room, but we will have the chance to chat with these world travellers," Butler said.

There is no charge to watch the Six-Minute Escape, but the arts council would appreciate donations, which can be made at their GoFundMe page: www.gofundme.com/f/6-minute-escape.

You can tune in to the broadcast on Saturday, Oct. 3 at 7:30 p.m. through the Reading Writing Connections website: www.reading-writing-connection.ca or by finding Haliburton Reads and Writes on Facebook.

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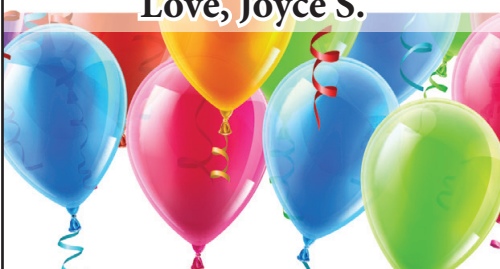
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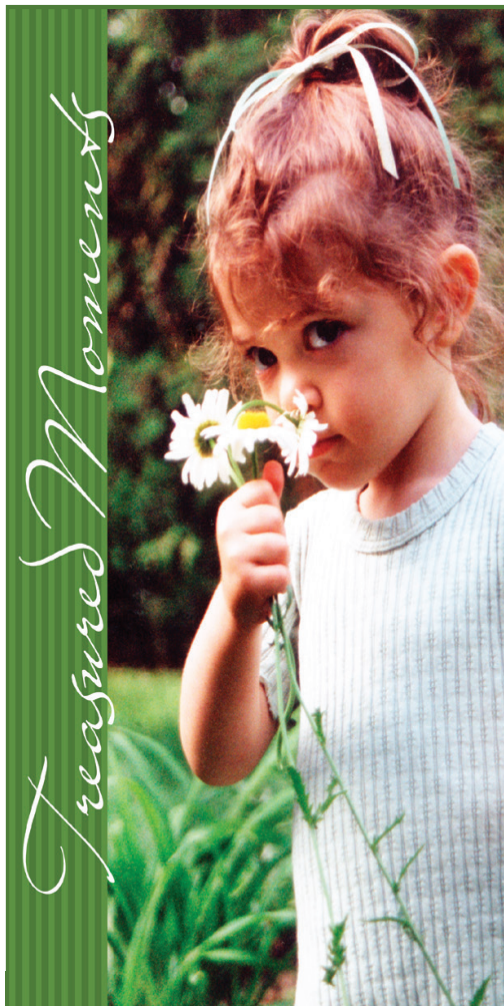
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by Ariel White

The Trillium Lakelands Districts School Board approved a balanced operating budget for the coming year at its regular board meeting last week despite almost four million dollars less than the projected funding allocation from the Ministry of Education and Training.

Retiring Superintendent Al Ingram presented the budget to the board at the Lindsay Education Centre last Tuesday. The budget includes a total grant allocation of \$136,794,710 which is \$3,671,955 less than the projected amount from the ministry. "This is a balanced budget as required by the province," said Ingram. He also noted that 64 per cent of the budget would be assigned to classroom spending, two per cent above the provincial requirement. The provincial definition of classroom spending, according to Ingram does not include administrators, support staff such as school secretaries, custodians or the contentious issue of teacher preparation time.

The area of technology is of concern to Ingram as well. He feels that the province did not allocate acceptable support for computers in class-
(more on page 4)

GO!

The waiting is almost over for Haliburton County residents anxious to see signs of activity at the two hospital building sites. Work is scheduled to begin this week on the long awaited projects.

Construction site superintendent
(more on page 3)



Terry's helpers

Haliburton Highlands Secondary School students and staff provided refreshments at Haliburton's Head Lake Park during the High School's Terry Fox Run. HHSS principal Gary Brohman and teacher Paul Longo stopped momentarily for a break and photo opportunity. Pictured with them are, front row, from the left: Russell Snoddon, Stef Stevens and Lisa Burk. Back row: Chris Snoddon, Paul Longo, Krista Matysek, Gary Brohman, Nichole Sisco, Linda Brandon and Patti Brydon. For photos from the Minden Terry Fox Run, see page 17.

Policing costs could jump \$250,000

by Jerry Grozelle

Staff Sergeant Andy Millar, along with OPP superintendents Chris Wyatt and Steve Ostrowski appeared before Haliburton County council Wednesday, September 23 to explain a proposed realignment of services that would see Haliburton County's policing costs jump by \$250,000. Millar explained that the County of Victoria has asked the OPP to provide contract costing for the county, with the exception of Lindsay (and Ops Township, which has opted to buy its police services from the Lindsay Police Force). A five-year contract has been signed between Lindsay and Ops Township.

The Times contacted Victoria

County Warden John Macklem, who said he was surprised when the announcement was made.

"We got back-doored," he said. "We were trying to negotiate a deal for the entire county. It's tough for us to know what our role is. There could be an interesting ripple effect."

Local police forces are only allowed by legislation to provide services to contiguous municipalities (those which border their jurisdiction). In order for the Lindsay force to provide police services to any other municipality outside the Town of Lindsay, it had to secure a contract with Ops, since Ops Township completely surrounds Lindsay. Ops was in an enviable position in that negotia-

tion process.

Under the OPP proposal, police services between Victoria and Haliburton would become separated. The Lindsay and Coboconk offices would amalgamate, with the two being renamed Victoria Detachment. Administration for the entire county, excluding Lindsay and Ops, would be handled from the OPP office in Lindsay. The Lindsay and Coboconk offices would both remain as operational centres, with Coboconk covering the northern part of the county.

Victoria County would benefit from a lower cost of administration, with one detachment commander reporting to the governing body; a greater inte-
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- 235' of mixed shoreline, great swimming
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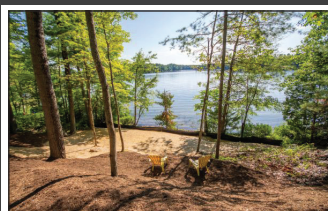
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Lindsay Elder*
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- Log home immaculately kept inside and out
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Gull Lake \$549,000

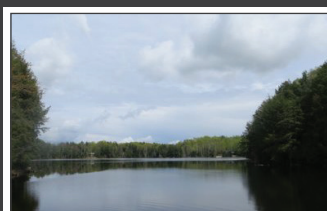
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- 3-season cottage on Long/Miskwabi chain
- 3 BR, 4-piece bath, newer septic sized for 4 bedrooms.
- Miles of boating, year-round road access



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- Prime lot with a stunning view over the Lake
- Year-round township road, terrific building site
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- 8-acre parcel with 1240' frontage on Cty Rd 21
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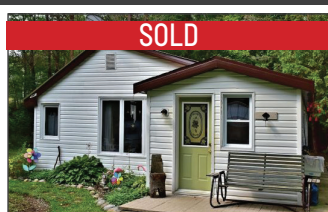
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Brandon Nimigon*
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Trooper Lake \$420,000

- Well-maintained, rustic, 3-bedroom cottage
- Open concept Living/Kitchen/Dining
- Spectacular views across the lake
- Flat lot is great for all ages



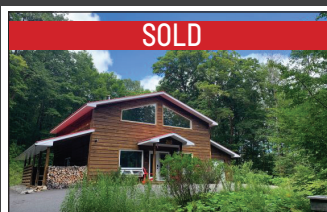
SOLD



Karen Nimigon**
457-6505

Halls Lake \$279,000

- Cute & Cozy 2-bedroom winterized cottage
- Open concept kitchen/dining/living area
- Garage, Storage shed, drilled well & septic
- Deeded lake access just 200 yards away



SOLD



Kirsten Rae*
286-2138 x 30

Soyers Lake Road \$479,900

- 3.8 private acres close to Haliburton
- Open concept living space w/ vaulted ceilings
- Paved driveway, attached garage



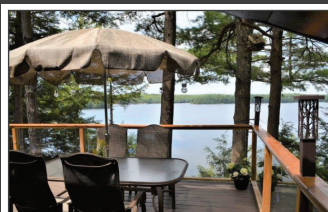
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Darlene Reil*
447-2055

Wilberforce Home \$312,000

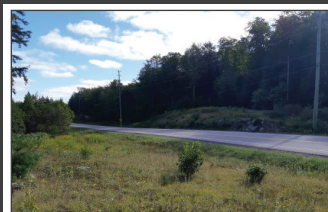
- In town 3 bedroom home with many upgrades
- New roof, freshly painted & cupboards
- Walk to amenities.



Christine Sharp*
705-469-9968

Kabakwa Lake \$995,000

- Beautiful western view
- 2000 sq ft, winterized
- High speed internet



Greg Stamp*
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County Road 21 \$179,000

- Acreage close to Haliburton Village & Pinestone Resort
- Beautifully Treed with driveway already installed.
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Melanie Vigrass*
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Minden Area Bungalow \$389,000

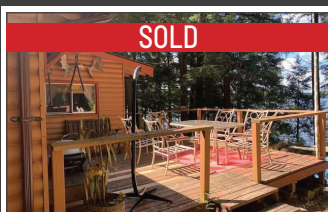
- 3 bdrm/2 bath Bungalow
- Cathedral Ceilings/Propane Fireplace
- Finished Walk-out Basement
- 1.1 Acres, Det'd Garage



Lindsay Wilkinson*
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Minden Building Lot \$169,900

- Excellent location with maximum exposure
- Commercial zoning with many possible uses
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Andrea Wilson**
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Kennis Lake \$465,000

- West-facing lot with expansive views & 102' of clean, deep rock shoreline
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